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May 29, 2014

Via Hand Delivery

Ms. Jean Jewell
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
P O Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Re: Certifications and Support Papers Regarding Revised Tariff Rates
Case No. GNR-T-12-04

Dear Ms. Jewell:

As you know, I represent the Idaho Telecom Alliance ("ITA"). The ITA is assisting its member companies in filing revisions to the Idaho Rural Exchange Carriers ("IREC") tariff to comply with the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") Order on Universal Service and Intercarrier Compensation Reform adopting a framework to restructure intercarrier compensation for intrastate and interstate telecommunications traffic exchanged with a local exchange carrier. *In the Matter of Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers, et al.*, WD Docket No. 07-135 *et al.*, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-161 (rel. Nov. 18, 2011), and the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's (the "Commission") Order No. 32534, April 25, 2012, Case No. GNR-T-12-04. As you know, the ICC switched access rate transition under the FCC Order requires rate-of-return carriers' intrastate switched access rates subject to the transition to be at parity with the corresponding capped interstate rate cap beginning July 1, 2014. The following ITA member companies whose rates are set forth in the IREC tariff are amending their rates to meet this requirement: Albion Telephone Company, Cambridge Telephone Company, Columbine Telephone Company/Silver Star Company, Custer Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Direct Communications Rockland, Inc., Farmers Mutual Telephone Company, Filer Mutual Telephone Company, Fremont Telcom, Inland Telephone Company, Midvale Telephone Company, Project Mutual Telephone Cooperative Association, Inc., and Rural Telephone Company.

Enclosed herewith, in accordance with Order No. 32534, is the supporting documentation for each of the above referenced companies for the revised rates set forth in the IREC Tariff, along with each company's certification of the accuracy of the information reported to the National Exchange Carriers Association. Some of the attached documentation is considered trade secret and confidential pursuant to Section 9-340D(1) of the Idaho Code, and is submitted to you on yellow paper. The revised IREC Tariff showing the new changes to the rates of the above listed companies has been or will be submitted to

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you under separate cover. These rates will be effective as of July 1, 2014 per the FCC Order.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact me at (208) 577-5747 or by e-mail at cam@camlawidaho.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cynthia A. Melillo".

Cynthia A. Melillo

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**COLUMBINE TELEPHONE COMPANY
SILVER STAR COMPANY**

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING DATA ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Data Reported on Behalf of Reporting Carrier

I certify that (Name of Agent) National Exchange Carriers Association, Inc. is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the data provided to the Authorized Agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the actual data provided to the Authorized Agent is accurate.

Name of Authorized Agent : National Exchange Carriers Association, Inc.

Name of Reporting Carrier: SILVER STAR TEL- ID

Digitally signed by Jefferson England DN: cn=Jefferson England email=jeffengland@silverstar.net, o=silver star tel-id, cf=Freedom WV 83120, Date: 5/12/2014

Signature of Authorized Officer:

Jefferson England

Date: 5/12/2014

Printed name of Authorized Officer:

Jefferson England

Title or position of Authorized Officer:

CFO

Telephone number of authorized officer:

307-883-6675

Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier

472295

Filing Due Date for this form
(mm/dd/yyyy)

6/16/2014

Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

TO BE COMPLETED BY AN OFFICER OF THE REPORTING CARRIER

Certification of Officer for Rate-of-Return Carrier Eligibility for CAF/ICC Recovery

I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reporting carrier on this form certifies that it has complied with Eligible Recovery §51.917(d) and Access Recovery Charge §51.917(e) and is eligible to receive the CAF/ICC support requested pursuant to §51.917(f).

Name of Reporting Carrier:		SILVER STAR TEL- ID	
Signature of Authorized Officer or employee:		Digitally signed by Jefferson England DN: cn=Jefferson England, email=jengland@silverstar.net, o=silver star tel- id, cf=Freedom WY 83120, Date: 5/12/2014	Date: 5/12/2014
Printed name of Authorized Officer or employee:		Jefferson England	
Title or position of Authorized Officer or employee:		CFO	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer or employee:		307-883-6675	
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER.

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the CAF ICC Data Reported

I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the actual data reported; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form is accurate.

Name of Reporting Carrier:		SILVER STAR TEL- ID	
Signature of Authorized Officer:		Digitally signed by Jefferson England DN:cn=Jefferson England email=jefferson@silverstar.net,O=silver star tel-id,l=Freedom WY 83120, Date:5/12/2014	
Printed name of Authorized Officer:		Jefferson England	
Title or position of Authorized Officer:		CFO	
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TO BE COMPLETED BY AN OFFICER OF THE REPORTING CARRIER

Certification of Officer for Rate-of-Return Carrier Not Seeking Duplicative Recovery

I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reporting carrier is not seeking duplicative recovery in the state jurisdiction for any Eligible Recovery subject to the recovery mechanism as per §51.917(d)(vii).

Name of Reporting Carrier:		SILVER STAR TEL- ID	
Signature of Authorized Officer or employee:		Digitally signed by Jefferson England DN: cn=Jefferson England, email=jefferson@silverstar.net, O=silver star tel- id, c=Freedom WV 83120, Date: 5/12/2014 Jefferson England	
Printed name of Authorized Officer or employee:		Jefferson England	
Title or position of Authorized Officer or employee:		CFO	
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Idaho Rural Exchange Carriers

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1st Revised Sheet Number 303

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ACCESS SERVICE

10. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

10.4 Columbine Telephone Company, Inc., d.b.a. Silver Star Communications

10.4.1 Switched Access Service

	Nonrecurring Charges	Per Access Minute	
		IntraLATA	InterLATA
(A) <u>Nonrecurring Charges</u>			
Per Line Connected	\$290.13		
(B) <u>Local Transport</u> (Per Access Minute)			
Premium Access, Originating*		\$0.0322	\$0.0108
Premium Access – Terminating*:			
(1) Tandem Switched Transport			
(a) Tandem Switched Facility, Per Terminating Access Minute, Per Mile		\$0.0004 ²⁴ ₁₈	\$0.0004 ²⁴ ₁₈

(T)
(N)
(T)
(C)
(C)
(M)
(M)
(D)

* The Local Transport rate includes non-chargeable Interface Groups and Optional Features as set forth in Section 5.

(M) Rates 10.4.1(B)(1)(b) now shown on Original Sheet Number 303.1. Original Sheet Number 303.2 is part of the (B) rate structure. Rates 10.4.1(C) now shown on Original Sheet Number 303.3 in different rate structure.

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10. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

10.4 Columbine Telephone Company, Inc., d.b.a. Silver Star Communications (Cont'd)

10.4.1 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

Per Access Minute
IntraLATA InterLATA

(B) Local Transport (Cont'd) (Per Access Minute)

Premium Access – Terminating*: (Cont'd)

(1) Tandem Switched Transport (Cont'd)

(b) Tandem Switched Termination,
Per Terminating Access Minute,
Per Termination

²⁰²
\$0.002⁷¹ ²⁰²
\$0.002⁷¹

Monthly
Rate

(2) Flat Rates – Switched Access Local Transport

(a) Direct Trunked Transport

(i) Direct Trunked Facility, Per Mile

Voice Grade – Two & Four Wire
High Capacity DS1
High Capacity DS3

\$ 4.22 ^{4.28}
\$ 19.80 ^{20.08}
\$ 172.43 ^{174.89}

* The Local Transport rate includes non-chargeable Interface Groups and Optional Features as set forth in Section 5.

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10. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

10.4 Columbine Telephone Company, Inc., d.b.a. Silver Star Communications (Cont'd)

10.4.1 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

Monthly
Rate

(B) Local Transport (Cont'd)

(2) Flat Rates – Switched Access Local Transport (Cont'd)

(a) Direct Trunked Transport (Cont'd)

(ii) Direct Trunked Termination, Per Termination

Voice Grade – Two & Four Wire	\$ 42.42
High Capacity DS1	\$ 102.71
High Capacity DS3	\$ 659.50

(iii) Multiplexing, Per Arrangement

DS3 to DS1	\$ 601.72
DS1 to Voice	\$ 232.31

235.63

43.03 (I)
104.18
668.92
610.32
(C) *(I)*

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ACCESS SERVICE

10. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

10.4 Columbine Telephone Company, Inc., d.b.a. Silver Star Communications (Cont'd)

10.4.1 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

	Per Access Minute	
	IntraLATA	InterLATA

(C) End Office Charges

Local Switching Originating, Per Access Minute:

(1) Premium Access LS1 (FGA and FGB)	\$0.0175	\$0.0175
(2) Premium Access LS2 (FGC and FGD)	\$0.0175	\$0.0175

Local Switching Terminating:

(1) Premium Access:

Per Terminating Access Minute:*

0.030400

Effective 7-3-2012	\$ 0.0175	\$ 0.0175
- Effective 7-2-2013	\$ 0.041980	\$ 0.041980
- Effective 7-2-2014	\$ 0.029653	\$ 0.029653
- Effective 7-2-2015	\$ 0.017327	\$ 0.017327
- Effective 7-2-2016	\$ 0.005000	\$ 0.005000
- Effective 7-2-2017	\$ 0.003567	\$ 0.003567
- Effective 7-2-2018	\$ 0.002133	\$ 0.002133
- Effective 7-2-2019	\$ 0.000700	\$ 0.000700
- Effective 7-2-2020	\$ 0.000000	\$ 0.000000

~~(M) Rates 10.4.1(C) previously shown on Original Sheet Number 303 in different rate structure.~~

* The scheduled effective date for the local switching and information surcharge rates is July 1 of each year, however the Company will comply with the date the FCC determines in the years 2014 thru 2020 since the date may vary.

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ACCESS SERVICE

10. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

10.4 Columbine Telephone Company, Inc., d.b.a. Silver Star Communications (Cont'd)

10.4.1 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

Monthly
Rate

(C) End Office Charges (Cont'd)

(2) Information Surcharge *Terminating, Combined to .000000*
in Rates 10.4.1 (C) (1)
Per 100 Terminating Access Minute*

- Effective 7-2-2013	\$ 0.051300
- Effective 7-2-2014	\$ 0.035867
- Effective 7-2-2015	\$ 0.020433
- Effective 7-2-2016	\$ 0.005000
- Effective 7-2-2017	\$ 0.003567
- Effective 7-2-2018	\$ 0.002133
- Effective 7-2-2019	\$ 0.000700
- Effective 7-2-2020	\$ 0.000000

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